Florida Gulf Coast University
Senate Planning and Budget Advisory Committee
Meeting Agenda: November 18, 2013
EH 210
2:00 – 3:25 PM

Attending: Angela Meyer, Carolynne Gischel, Molly Venglar, Jo Stecher, Margaret Banyan, Shawn Felton, Halcyon St. Hill

1. Welcome

Selection of chair. Margaret Banyan nominated Carolynne Gischel; Halcyon St. Hill seconded. Unanimous in favor.

2. Approval of Minutes. Tabled.

Shawn Felton will provide minutes from last meeting.

3. Committee Description – Senate Bylaws

Carolyn reviewed Senate Bylaws for SPBAC.

4. Committee Updates
   a. SPIEC. Committee list is under development. Shawn gave an update on progress of list development. List is under development between Shawn and Paul Snyder. Maybe have additional input that will be shared with SPBAC.

   b. ERMC. Jo reported that admission inquiries up 77% since March. Raising SAT scores is under discussion to try to be more selective. Admissions for Fall 2013: 61% of applicants were accepted (at top of state). Working on 2nd Annual conference for enrollment and retention. Looking for proposals to present at conference. Nov. 30 soft deadline to submit proposals for conference. Target audience is any educator. Also under discussion is International Students and how to increase their numbers.

   c. IRC. Cathy Duff is putting together a task force to look at distance learning on campus - Angela has been working to make sure that someone from technology is involved as well as a faculty representative. IRC is also working on a series of policies, especially a 'restricted data' policy. There is a number of other policies under development. Further, how are IT efforts being allocated, given enrollment and university growth. Jo added that FGCU had a 4% increase of students who were FTIC - this may have implications for additional support. The tech team will bring this forward to Faculty Senate. Halcyon addressed the issue of team communication with constituencies - it might be helpful to develop a joint email & teams should report back to the senate.
d. SFC. Margaret gave an update on the SFC upcoming work. Including that the Buckingham ideas for development will potentially be handled through the SFC and ESC. The SFC is also working on letting contracts for the I-HUB FGCU building and the Master Plan update. The landscaping committee was also discussed and clarified that it is an update.

e. ESC. No one present to give an update.

f. Budget. Shawn gave an update on the list of last year’s priorities and how they were developed. This process will be repeated this year. Carolyn has been seeking input into the budget priority process. There was a discussion of how to get funding for general education programs that have an impact on student success. There is a discussion related to performance funding and how to address certain issues with non-recurring dollars. There is also some debate at the state level as to whether the dollars are recurring or non-recurring funding. Margaret asked that transit be added to budget priorities and gave an update on the MPO TIGER grant allocation to Lee County.

5. New Business

Shawn asked how can we share information and communication better so that work is being produced through the committees. Something to think about as we move forward.

6. Good of the Order

Wish Angela well with the new baby. Carolyn will work with Ashlyn to schedule a new meeting time for Spring Term.